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The Honorable Governor Sean Parnell
550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1700
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Dear Governor Parnell:

I am writing to inform you that I intend to resign as Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources effective Tuesday, September 24, 2013.

It has been the honor of a lifetime to serve Alaskans as their Attorney General and Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources over the past four years. I want to thank you, as well as former Governor Palin, and the Alaska State Legislature for this opportunity.

As a member of your cabinet, I am proud to have played a role in your Administration's numerous accomplishments. These include:

- Protecting Alaska's most vulnerable through the Choose Respect Initiative;
- Spearheading the Cook Inlet energy renaissance;
- Promoting increased oil production and jobs through the More Alaska Production Act;
- Accelerating the commercialization of North Slope gas for Alaskans' benefit;
- Resolving Point Thomson and jump starting this multi-billion dollar North Slope development;
- Slashing permitting backlogs and streamlining the State's regulatory system;
- Going on offense on ANWR exploration; and
- Effectively fighting against federal overreach into the lives of Alaskans and our economy.

The State's economy, energy security, job opportunities, families, and future are all stronger because of these accomplishments.

As I explore new opportunities and challenges in the next phase of my life, I intend to seek ways to continue to serve my fellow Alaskans.

Thank you for your continued leadership and all you are doing for our great state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dan Sullivan".

Dan Sullivan